

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
)	
-vs-)	Case No. CR-24-316-R
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CHANG ZHANG)	
)	
Defendant.)	

ORDER

Before the Court is the Joint Motion to Continue Trial. [Doc. No. 21]. For the reasons set forth herein, the Court finds the motion should be granted.

Defendant Zhang requests a continuance of her jury trial to the March 2025 trial docket in order for counsel to review the voluminous discovery in this matter and discuss the findings and all available options with the Defendant.

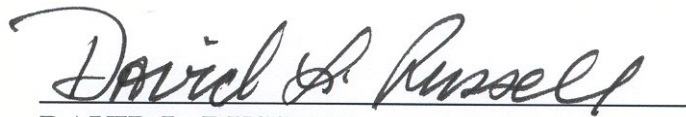
The Defendant has been contacted regarding this motion and defense counsel advises Defendant has executed a speedy trial waiver [Doc. No. 22]. The Assistant United States Attorney Elizabeth Bagwell has been contacted regarding a continuance and joins in this request for a continuance to the March 2025 trial docket.

Considering the representation of the parties, the Court finds that the ends of justice are served by the granting of a continuance in this matter and outweigh the best interest of the public and of the defendants in a speedy trial. *See*, 18 U.S.C. §3161(h)(7)(A). In making this determination, the Court has specifically considered

the length of delay, the reason for delay, the defendant's assertion of their rights, any prejudice to the defendant, and other relevant circumstances. Additionally, the Court has considered whether: "the failure to grant a continuance would . . . likely make continuation of [the] proceeding impossible or result in a miscarriage of justice;" and failing to grant a continuance, "would deny counsel for the defendant or the attorney for the Government the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation." *United States v. Toombs*, 574 F.3d 1262, 1268-69 (10th Cir. 2009), *quoting* 18 U.S.C. §3161(h)(B)(i)-(iv).

The Court finds that, due to the circumstances, granting the motion to continue the trial is in the best interest of justice. Accordingly, the Defendant's trial shall be set for the March 2025 trial docket.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 19th day of November, 2024.



DAVID L. RUSSELL
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE